

SUBJECT No. 485.

A forest depot at Anavatti.

Messrs. Nadiga Bhistappa, Rama Rao, and Nadig Swamy Rao, Sorab taluk.

Summary of discussion.—A forest depot may be established at Anavatti, as much loss of time and inconvenience are experienced at present by the public who are in need of timber, in having to go to the forests to get them, and wait for the arrival of the Range Officer to get the required wood stamped by him and issued. If the establishment of a depot is not possible, the forester at Anavatti may be authorised to stamp the wood to be removed by the purchasers.

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the Conservator of Forests.

SUBJECT No. 486.

Water-supply to Shimoga town.

(1) Messrs. S. Sitaramiah and A. Cheluviongar, Shimoga taluk; Bhaskara Rao, Shimoga District Board, and A. Narasimha Iyengar, Sagar taluk.

(2) Messrs. K. Shankaranarayan Rao and G. Chandappa, Shimoga Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—(1) Provision may be made early for supply of pipe water to houses in the Shimoga town as is done at Bangalore and Mysore. This facility is urgently called for especially in the new extension where water scarcity is keenly felt.

(2) The public do not derive much benefit from the present system of water-supply at Shimoga, as the number of taps provided for the town is very limited and as the taps do not serve the thickly populated portions of the town properly. The number of taps may be increased and house connection provided for early.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 487.

The Shimoga Water Works Department.

Mr. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Water Works Department may be moved to attend to the requisitions of the Municipality, particularly regarding house connections at an early date. The department may also be required not to incur any expenditure without the previous sanction of the Municipal Board. There was no pressing necessity for this department to put up a telephone communication between the pumping station and the main balancing tank, a distance of barely a mile and a half.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 488.

Water-supply to Shikarpur town.

(a) Messrs. Bhavani Rao and Sanganabasappa, and Ramani Channaveerappa, Shikarpur taluk.

(b) Mr. Vitalemurthyachar, Shikarpur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(a) The town of Shikarpur which contains a population of 5,000 has always been suffering from scarcity of water. The project of pumping water from the Kummudvati river for supply to the town through pipes has been under consideration for some years, but has not been disposed of. Half the cost may be sanctioned as a grant from State Funds and the remaining half debited to the municipality as already agreed to by the Municipal Board.

(b) The project of water-supply to the Shikarpur town may be kindly sanctioned early, and one-third of the cost sanctioned as a grant from State Funds. Of the remaining two-thirds, one-half will be readily defrayed